

# RELEASE THIS MORNING

## RELEASE IS GIVEN TO CROSS

**Veteran Third Sacker  
Released Today---Has  
Many Offers.**

By THOMAS S. RICE.

Lave Cross was given his ten days' notice of release by the Washington baseball club this morning.

It came as no surprise, but the old veteran of twenty-three years as a star of the diamond was relieved, because it enabled him to set to work to perfect plans for his future. He was at the treasurer's office this morning with the other players, drawing his semi-monthly stipend, and was full of life and enthusiasm. He said his side was still sore where he strained one of the ligaments last Saturday, but was getting along finely and would soon be all right.

### Score of Offers.

Cross was as busy with plans and schemes as a man entering upon an entirely new career. He had a pocket full of letters and telegrams offering him positions of manager, player, and player-manager, on all sorts of clubs in all parts of the country. Some of these were highly flattering and showed that the judgment of other baseball magnates does not agree with that of Manager Cantillon. Some of the offers were surprisingly liberal in the way of salary and other inducements, and Cross is having a hard time telling how to shape his course.

The minor leaguers are strong on offering percentage of the profits or a portion of the club stock, and he may accept one of these. But there will be no hurry. He has a good stake put away and need not play ball in order to keep the wolf from the door. His idea is to cast his lines where he will find a permanent investment for his house and at the same time add to his bank account by the salary he would draw as a player.

### Majors Should Waive.

Cross, as far as the Washington club was concerned, was released outright, and is free to go where he pleases. Under these conditions he could probably act as bench manager for any minor league club he might hook up with, even if the major leaguers did not grant waivers upon him, but it is not thought any of the majors will refuse to waive if he decides to join in a minor league.

He has been in fast company many years, has always been a credit to the name and to any team he was playing with, has always studied the interests of his employers, and has always been willing to do more than his share in an emergency. A refusal to waive would be an act of callous and mercenary ingratitude upon the part of any minor league club which would be a serious blow at the sportsmanship and sense of fairness which is supposed to prevail even in professional baseball.

"I feel as spry as a spring chicken," said Cross this morning, and those who have been in the game for years to the bench are in bad. I will be playing baseball years from now and will be doing work which will attract the congratulations of sporting writers. I am not bragging when I say this, but simply mean that I mean to take a lay-off and go fishing near my home in Delaware, but there is too much baseball in me to get away from the diamond just when we are getting the first touch of real good weather this spring.

At last there seems a possibility that there may be another ball game in Washington. The sun was shining brightly this morning for the first time in the memory of the oldest inhabitant, and Washington and Detroit are scheduled to meet at 4:30 p. m. but a little thing like sunshine, lack of clouds, etc., can't discourage the rain from falling in this neck of the woods. In just rains here anyhow.

Manager Cantillon was so nervous last night because he was deprived of the music of the patter of the drops upon the roof of the Regent that he was up at sunrise and hurried to the grounds to see if he had been dreaming.

Manager Jennings improved the wet weather here to look up old acquaintances in Baltimore, where he graduated in law and practices in the winter season, and was around this morning to say who would be in the points for his henchmen.

Another attraction is expected to be the playing of Jim Delehanty at third base for Washington. This youth has had more knockers and boosters than almost any other in the business. Ed Hanlon looked him over and said he wouldn't do. McAleer said he was hard to handle and of little account anyhow. Joe Cantillon says he thinks Delehanty has the making of a great ball player, and all he needs is a fair start.

The St. Louis sporting writers are about equally divided on the question whether he is a misguided phenom or a natural born nut. Better go out and judge for yourself.

Garry Herrmann, chairman of the National Commission, resents the charge that he and Harry Pulliam, president of the National League, are curling up before Johnson, and says the full text of the National Commission decision in the Kelley case will prove him and Pulliam a couple of modern Ajaxes. The decision as published in a morning paper does not furnish the calcium for Garry's spotlight. But we will wait until the official text of the decision is at hand. What he wants to know about is why he and Pulliam backed up on Kelley playing where he pleased after they had announced so freely that there was no evidence against him.

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## OUTLAW TRACKS NEAR NEW YORK SEEM IN SIGHT

**Jockey Club Monopoly  
Jolted by Empire City  
Decision.**

NEW YORK, June 15.—Smashing the arbitrary power hitherto exercised by the State Racing Commission, which killed racing organizations that dared to hold running races in competition with the Racing trust, the appellate division, second department, yesterday held that the Empire City Trotting Club was entitled to a license to conduct running races and steeplechase meetings, a privilege denied to it by the State Racing Commission for three years in succession.

For those years the Empire Club, of which James Butler is head, has had the ambition to hold running races on the Empire City track, such as those at Gravesend, Sheepshead Bay, Belmont Park, and Aqueduct. But every time it applied to the State Racing Commission for a license, the commission "turned down" the application on the ground there were no available dates for the meetings, as any time picked would conflict with racing dates at other tracks.

### Commission Had Monopoly.

The "other tracks" were those to which the members of the commission, though a State body, preserved a most friendly attitude for various reasons. The dates of the local tracks are fixed by the Jockey Club. A peculiar proceeding mentioned was that all dates of racing clubs were fixed by the Jockey Club before the various clubs had obtained licenses from the State commission.

After the dates thus had been fixed, the State commission issued licenses to the clubs to which the Jockey Club had assigned dates, thus making the Jockey Club the real power in the racing field.

When the Empire City Club applied for a license, the State commission replied that all the dates were filled, and if the Empire City Club received a license its dates would conflict with dates of other clubs or the racing dates in Saratoga.

### Belmont Fought Newcomers.

After being brushed aside in that contemptuous fashion for three years, the Empire City Club, seeing no good reason why it should not be permitted to hold running races on the same dates as other clubs, except that it might interfere with the profits of those other clubs, went to court. It applied for a writ of mandamus to compel the State commission to grant a license as it had complied with all the provisions of the statute. The case was argued before Justice Mills, in Westchester. He denied the application for a mandamus.

On the first two occasions when the State Racing Commission denied a license to the Empire City Club August Belmont was chairman. James W. Wadsworth is the present chairman. The other members of the commission are Harry K. Knapp and John Sanford.

### Opposition to Saratoga.

Justice Woodward, who wrote the prevailing opinion of the appellate division, told the racing commission several true truths about its duties.

"This decision," said James Russell Soley, counsel for the Empire City Club, "means that the Empire City Club will have its race meeting during the season of 1907."

That utterance was taken to mean that the Empire track would be opened in opposition to the Saratoga meeting in August. Nevertheless, as Justice Hirschberg dissented from the opinion, the case can be appealed. Undoubtedly it will be.

## HERE'S GOOD CHANCE FOR DICK CROKER

**He Seems to Hold Winning  
Card in Ireland's Big  
Race.**

DUBLIN, June 15.—Honors for Richard Croker, which were denied him by the great English Derby, because of the antagonism of the English millionaire horsemen, are to be heaped upon the former Tammany leader at the special racing meeting to be held at Leopardstown, Ireland, on July 10 and 11.

King Edward is to attend this meeting and it is expected that Croker will then blossom out as a prominent race horse man.

The Leopardstown meet promises to be the greatest racing event ever held in Ireland. Elaborate preparations are already under way for members of the millionaires' English turfmen and many of the best horses of the English stables are to run. Beside Orby, winner of the Derby, Croker has entered Hayden, his second best horse, and the former Tammany expects to carry off the lion's share of honors.

Croker's nearest rival for turf honors will probably be Mrs. Sadler Jackson, an American woman who lives in England. It is expected the issue between Orby and Velocity will be close.

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## A VETERAN ARBITER



JACK SHERIDAN.

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## YALE AND HARVARD TAKING IT EASY

**No Attempt Is Made for  
Speed in Practice  
Spins.**

NEW LONDON, June 15.—Yale's four crews indulged in light work on the Thames river yesterday and no attempt was made at speeding by any of the crews. The two varsity boats went upstream for about a mile and were followed by the two freshman eights.

The first crews felt no ill effects from their four-mile pull. Rockwell was in the bow seat in the varsity shell again and showed good form. Auchincloss, whom he replaced, is with the varsity four.

Because Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., is acting as second assistant manager for the Harvard crew, local interest in the daily practice spins is tense.

Young Roosevelt is having the time of his life at present, for his duties are many and varied, and keep him on the jump from dewy morn to dusky eve. The second assistant manager of the crew has no time for up to him to devote all the hustling about necessary for the welfare of the crew, and that's going some.

The two Harvard eights were sent down stream for about two miles, and on the way back given a little brush for a mile. The varsity managed to win out by a length, but in form they were much poorer than the freshmen.

R. S. Herrick and H. H. Storow, of the Harvard advisory board, came here from Boston by automobile and watched the practice of the crews from a launch, conferring with Coach Wray upon their work.

## PETER SULLIVAN BEST AT INFIGHTING GAME

DENVER, June 15.—After ten rounds of fast and furious milling, Referee Alvin Pollock awarded Peter Sullivan the decision over Tom Prendergast here last night. It was hammer and tongs throughout. For four rounds Prendergast looked a sure winner, but in the fifth round seemed to blow up, but thereafter gave a grand exhibition of gameness.

Prendergast's most effective work was at long range, he repeatedly crossing over his right for the jaw with knock-out force, but Sullivan seemed a glutton for punishment, and at in-fighting was clearly Prendergast's superior.

## CLOSED TENNIS TOURNEY ON BACHELORS' COURTS

The Bachelor Lawn Tennis Club will hold a closed handicap tournament on its courts, play beginning this afternoon at 3 o'clock. There are fifteen men entered, in the singles, and a suitable prize will be given to the winner. There will be no doubles and no consolation. The handicaps have not yet been announced, but the entries and pairings follow:

J. M. Kenyon vs. W. C. Hill; R. H. S. C. C. vs. F. Hyatt; J. H. Hendrick vs. A. DePerry; R. W. Hills vs. C. A. Barry; J. H. Ballenger vs. E. H. Grosvenor; W. B. Wood vs. H. R. Gower; R. W. Baker vs. G. G. Lincoln; E. W. Donn, Jr. bye.

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## MONTGOMERY LIKED FOR THE SUBURBAN

**Three-Year-Olds Loom Up  
Prominently in Racing  
This Year.**

NEW YORK, June 15.—Montgomery, the champion of the recent New Orleans winter racing season, is the favorite of the \$20,000 Suburban Handicap to be run at Sheepshead Bay on next Thursday afternoon. On a slow, packy track Montgomery will stand at about 3 to 1, while he figures at 5 to 1 over a fast course, according to the bookmakers.

In 1903 Irish Lad took the Brooklyn Handicap, and Africander the Suburban Handicap. Both were three-year-olds. This spring Superman, a three-year-old, has already annexed the Brooklyn Handicap, while here is Montgomery looming up at the eleventh hour as the most formidable factor in the field of probable starters.

If the footing turns heavy and Dandelion is scratched, Radtke will ride "Monty," otherwise Trotter will probably have the leg up. The fact that the professional following in the betting regards Montgomery the natural favorite under any sort of track conditions is the most interesting fact sticking out of the Suburban Handicap situation at the present moment.

The final withdrawals from the big fixture will be made late today. Dr. Caniner, Burgomaster, Accountant, and Sewell will be taken from the list of candidates in all probability, leaving just sixteen starters. Of these George C. Bennett, of Memphis, has in Dish-bille a doubtful starter, as she is none too well. The great three-year-old Electioneer, winner of the 1906 Futurity, and who looked Peter Pan right in the eye at the finish of the Standard Stakes, where the two colts finished like a team over a route of one and one-quarter miles in 2:06 3-5, must be put on the doubtful list, too. He has a dicky leg.

The three-year-old Sewell is off color. Next to Montgomery, the Keene three-year-old, Superman, is fancied, with Running Water close by, and the Whitney horse, Ironsides, and "Diamond Jim" Brady's Pontineau, the latter a three-year-old, are mighty well thought of, too. Running Water is probably the best of the three-year-olds. Court Dress is of better class than she has yet shown. But 116 pounds on the Tunning Water makes her a third choice to Montgomery and Superman. Ironsides, at 108 pounds, has the biggest pull in weights of the whole field. For winning the \$10,000 Westminster Handicap she takes a penalty of twelve pounds.

## E. F. HINKLE: YALE MAN. WEDS ACTRESS SECRETLY

NEW YORK, June 15.—Edward F. Hinkle, an architect with offices at 5 West Thirty-first street, and Miss Olive Murray, who up to a few weeks ago had a leading part in "Brewster's Millions," at the Hudson Theater, were married in or near the city a few days ago.

Both Mr. Hinkle and his bride made every attempt to keep their wedding a secret, but it leaked out. Hinkle graduated from Yale in 1890.

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## GEORGETOWN CREW HANDLED RAW DEAL AT PUGHKEEPSIE

**Fearfully Handicapped By  
Poor Marking of  
Course.**

POUGHKEEPSIE, June 15.—Another mix-up has arisen over the markings for the courses for the varsity race this season, and this time Pennsylvania and Georgetown are affected by the trouble.

Courtesy handled the matter very quickly last season by announcing he would not let his eight row in the varsity race unless the course was made satisfactory, and it was made so immediately by the board of stewards.

This year, owing to the entry of Annapolis, there has been a slight change in the survey for the course, as it made it necessary to send four crews under the second arch from the west shore and three under the next farthest out. Courses four and five, which are on each side of the twenty-five foot stone pier, are taken by Pennsylvania and Georgetown, respectively, for the big race, and trouble lies in the fact that owing to the strong tide there is an eddy under the pier which runs out for a distance of fifty feet on either side with wonderful velocity, and should a shell get into it racing would be stopped for that crew.

### Stewards Refuse Relief.

The survey of the course was examined today and it calls for a distance of 25 feet between courses four and five, and this, allowing for the width of the pier, would give Pennsylvania and Georgetown a hundred feet of clear water from their shells to the pier, fully enough for them to pass without accident.

The trouble is that this has not been carried out. In placing the targets for the west shore the men who put them up say they are about 125 feet apart, which allows but a scant fifty feet for two crews. On top of all this Francis S. Bangs of Columbia University, who is a member of the board of stewards, was here today and he stated that the course targets were all right and would not be changed.

### Georgetown Must Kick.

It now remains for either Pennsylvania or Georgetown to make a kick, and a kick is only reasonable under such conditions, but Ward will not do so because of the howl over this matter last year. Ward does not like to get into the line-light.

It seems to be up to Georgetown, which crew just arrived here last night and knows nothing of the conditions. Some man with the decision of Courtney certainly should take up the proposition, for neither Pennsylvania nor Georgetown will have a fair show unless the matter is cleared up. Courtney, of Cornell, was one of the first to notice it and comment on the unfairness. He even went so far as to take his launch through the four arches, and swept it off to the side, so strong was it.

## MONTANA KID PROVES EASY

**Right to Solar Plexus Gives  
Memsic Bout in the  
Seventh Round.**

LOS ANGELES, June 15.—Montana Kid is still the commanding general of the pork and bean brigade. He had his chance to carve his way to fame and roast turkey, but his foot slipped, and in the seventh round George Memsic, known in the ring as Jimmy Burns, shipped Montana Kid back to Van Camp and Armour. A left hook to the pit of the stomach ended an unequal battle.

The first round was slow, and the second slower. In the third Burns got to work, and hooked and plugged Montana Kid, putting him down for the count of nine. The fourth saw Montana Kid doing little work, and in the fifth Memsic got home several staggering blows, the Kid being groggy at the bell. The minute's rest did him little good, and in the sixth Memsic came over him. The seventh saw the end, Burns putting Montana Kid out with a hook to the jaw and a right to the solar plexus.

Montana Kid dropped in just a few seconds behind Memsic, who was favored with boots and catcalls. Some of this may have been for Tommy Burns, who was present, trimmed down to his diamonds.

Montana Kid hopped through the ropes, grinned at his wild welcome, and tried to look as though unconscious of his nice new fuzzy bathrobe. No pork and beans fighter ever wears a bathrobe. This is the mark of the fighter of class, and Montana Kid's bathrobe was so new that it squeaked as he took his corner.

Tommy Burns walked over and offered his hand to Vancouver. The aged savant of the gentle art of self-defense clasped the hand that once slapped Sullivan's, and the peace pipe came into play, at which there was applause.

No time was wasted, and the men went to work.

## LOOK WHO'S COMING! LARRY'S LARRUPERS

**Have Won 23 Out of  
Last 30 Games, and  
Going Good.**

PHILADELPHIA, June 15.—Rain prevented the Cleveland and Athletics teams from renewing hostilities yesterday, and the players on both sides were much disappointed.

Cleveland is going along at a terrific clip at present. The team has only lost one game on the present trip, and out of the last thirty games played twenty-three have resulted in victories. Cleveland didn't get a very good start in the race or it would now be in the lead. In the first twenty games of the season Lajoie's men only got an even break.

### Plenty of Substitutes.

Everyone connected with the team feels confident that this is Cleveland's year to win the pennant. One member of the team said yesterday:

"We have a better balanced club than last year, and so far, there have been no accidents to any of our men. In case any of our players are injured this season, we have a case last year, when we had seven out at one time, we have men who can jump right in and fill the bill."

"Last year when we had Rossman, he could only play one position, first base. Stoval had to be moved around the infield. This year he is a fixture on first base and is playing great ball."

### Larry Likes Wakefield.

"O'Brien is a veteran substitute infielder, who does not lose his form from sitting on the bench. Our outfielders are a big improvement over last year, and in a pinch Hinchman can play anywhere in the infield. Leithard has also been a great find for the club, and Wakefield strengthens the catching department. Under these conditions, why shouldn't Cleveland make a better showing than last year?"

"We also have a faster team on the bases than ever before. That is the strength of the Chicago club, and it is where we used to be handicapped. This season, however, we have been able to speed along our runners, and we have been doing very little hitting. When we get started with the stick it will take a mighty good club to beat us."

## FRED BRADLEY BADLY BEATEN

**Jimmy Barry Hammers Him  
and Seconds Throw Up  
Sponge.**

PHILADELPHIA, June 15.—Fred Bradley, of Boston, was defeated here last night in short order, his conqueror being Jimmy Barry, of Chicago. The men met in the wind-up at the Spring Garden Athletic Club, and Bradley's second threw up the sponge when the going rang for the second round to begin.

The first round was a lively one. They both added in making it and hammered away with each other fiercely. In a hard exchange Barry staggered Bradley with a right swing to the jaw.

The Bostonian hung on hard, and clinched repeatedly to save himself. Finally Barry stretched Bradley on the mat with another right swing to the jaw. At the count of seven the bell rang and Bradley was carried to his corner. He was in such a bad condition at the end of the minute's rest that his seconds gave up the bout.

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## AMERICAN LEAGUE.

### Yesterday's Results.

Boston, 4; St. Louis, 3.  
Philadelphia-Cleveland, rain.  
Washington-Detroit, rain.  
Chicago-New York, rain.

### Today's Games.

Detroit at Washington.  
St. Louis at Boston.  
Chicago at New York.  
Cleveland at Philadelphia.

### Standing of the Clubs.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago	22	15	.593
Cleveland	22	17	.563
Detroit	26	17	.606
Philadelphia	25	21	.543
New York	20	24	.455
St. Louis	19	20	.488
Pittsburgh	16	21	.434
Washington	14	28	.333

## NATIONAL LEAGUE.

### Yesterday's Results.

Chicago, 4; Brooklyn, 2.  
Boston, 1; St. Louis, 2.  
Pittsburgh, 2; New York, 1.  
Philadelphia, 5; Cincinnati, 4.

### Today's Games.

Philadelphia at Cincinnati.  
New York at Pittsburgh.  
Brooklyn at Chicago.  
Boston at St. Louis.

### Standing of the Clubs.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago	22	15	.593
New York	21	15	.574
Philadelphia	28	18	.609
Pittsburgh	25	19	.568
Boston	19	28	.404
Cincinnati	19	29	.396
Brooklyn	15	32	.313
St. Louis	14	32	.302

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